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Title of Invention: NETWORK TUNING DEVICE


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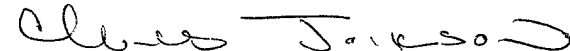
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Before the issuance of the first Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 4, 6 and 7 as follows:

4. (Amended) Tuning device according to claim 1, **characterized by** a partial transport stream generation unit (2b) to generate said partial transport stream (PTS) to be stored on said storage unit (3).

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6. (Amended) Tuning device according to claim 1, **characterized in that** said data storage unit (3) is able to simultaneously record said partial transport stream (PTS) and reproduce said partial transport stream (PTS) at the same time or time shifted and/or at least one other recorded partial transport stream.
7. (Amended) Tuning device according to claim 1, **characterized in that** it is a stand-alone network device and said storage unit (3) outputs said partial transport stream (PTS) to a network.


### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-8 remain in the application. Claims 4, 6 and 7 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies. Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to claims 4, 6 and 7 by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**" The filing fee has been calculated based upon these amendments to the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE****In the claims:**

4. (Amended) Tuning device according to claim 1 ~~anyone of the preceding claims~~, **characterized by** a partial transport stream generation unit (2b) to generate said partial transport stream (PTS) to be stored on said storage unit (3).
6. (Amended) Tuning device according to claim 1 ~~anyone of claims 1 to 5~~, **characterized in that** said data storage unit (3) is able to simultaneously record said partial transport stream (PTS) and reproduce said partial transport stream (PTS) at the same time or time shifted and/or at least one other recorded partial transport stream.
7. (Amended) Tuning device according to claim 1 ~~anyone of claims 1 to 6~~, **characterized in that** it is a stand-alone network device and said storage unit (3) outputs said partial transport stream (PTS) to a network.